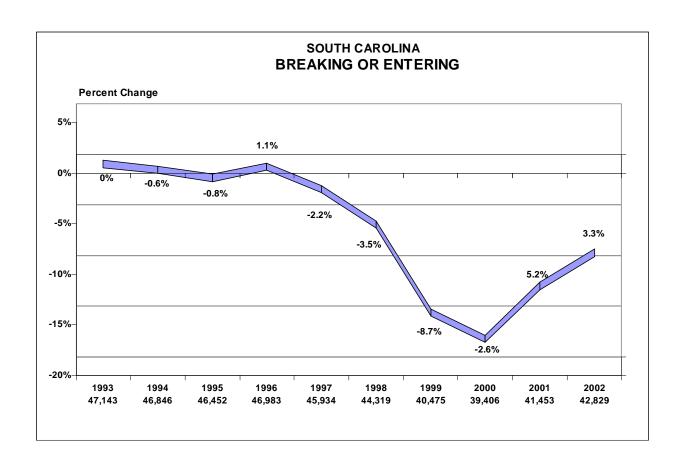
BREAKING OR ENTERING

DEFINITION

Breaking or Entering, for UCR purposes, is defined as the unlawful entry of a structure with intent to commit a serious crime or theft. It is not necessary that force be used in gaining entry in order for the offense to be classified as an unlawful entry. Neither is it necessary that property loss occur for the crime to be counted in this category. Attempts to unlawfully enter a structure are also counted. One offense is counted for each distinct operation.



2002 SUMMARY

A total of 42,829 breaking or entering offenses was reported in the 2002 crime index. During this year, breaking or entering offenses increased 3.3 percent compared to those reported in 2001.

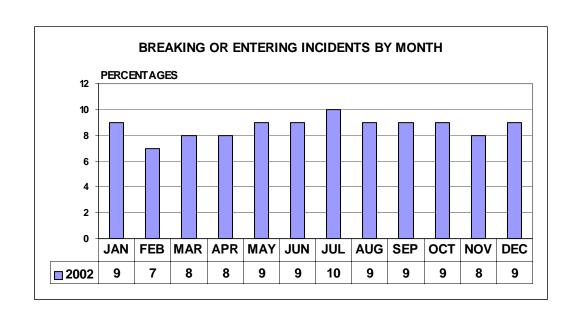
There were 4,790 persons arrested for breaking or entering statewide in 2002.

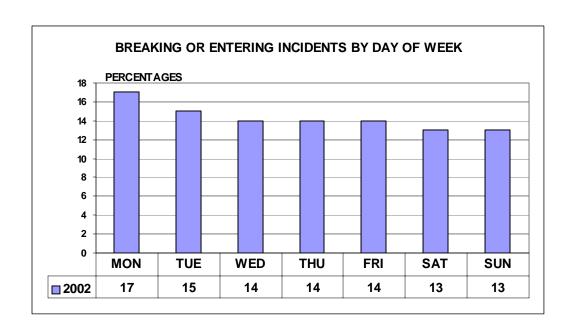
Breaking or entering accounted for 23.3 percent of all nonviolent crimes and 19.6 percent of the total crime index.

The breaking or entering rate in South Carolina was 104.3 per 10,000 persons.

The age group 17-21 accounted for 31.2 percent of persons arrested for breaking or entering. Males represented 90.6 percent of the total arrests made. Of all persons arrested for this offense, 48.7 percent were white, 50.8 percent were black, and 0.4 percent were other races.

There were 42,829 breaking or entering offenses reported in 2002. Of these 5.7 percent were attempts to commit breaking of entering.

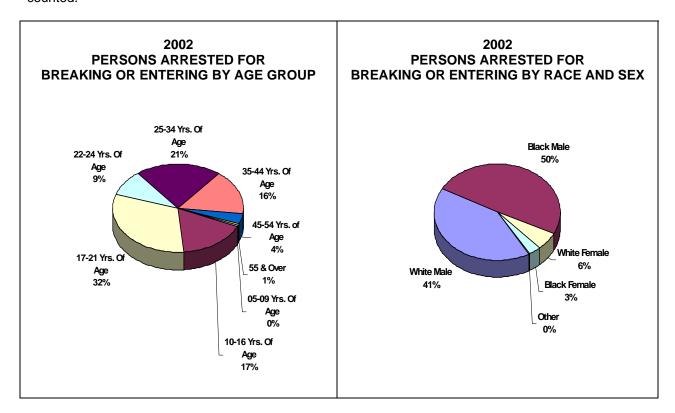




2002 PERSONS ARRESTED FOR BREAKING OR ENTERING

Age Group	Total	White Male	Black Male	Other Male	White Female	Black Female	Other Female
01 – 04	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
05 – 09	22	7	13	0	2	0	0
10 – 16	883	343	475	1	36	27	1
17 – 21	1,625	672	801	7	109	35	1
22 – 24	491	201	237	3	26	19	2
25 – 34	1,117	501	502	3	83	28	0
35 – 44	840	322	422	3	57	36	0
45 – 54	207	99	92	0	13	3	0
55 – 64	26	10	13	0	2	1	0
65 – 99	5	2	2	0	1	0	0
State Total	5,216	2,160	2,557	17	329	149	4

NOTE: The arrest counts shown here have not been subjected to the "hierarchy rule" (explained elsewhere); therefore, all persons arrested that are linked to this offense type are counted.



Forty-one percent of persons arrested for breaking or entering in 2002 were white males, 47 percent were 21 years of age or younger; 49 percent were black males, 50 percent of those were 21 years of age or younger. White females accounted for 6 percent, while black females accounted for 3 percent of persons arrested for breaking or entering. Forty-five percent of the white females and 42 percent of the black females arrested were 21 years of age or younger.

2000-2002 BREAKING OR ENTERING INCIDENTS BY PREMISE

Premise	2000 Incidents	% Distr.	2001 Incidents	% Distr.	2002 Incidents	% Distr.
Residences, Apts.	27,511	68.6	N/A	N/A	30,302	69.5
Nightclubs, Bars	350	0.9	N/A	N/A	428	1.0
Schools, Churches	1,647	4.1	N/A	N/A	1,733	4.0
Commercial	7,123	17.8	N/A	N/A	7,010	16.1
Hotels, Motels	700	1.7	N/A	N/A	786	1.8
Convenience Stores, etc.	801	2.0	N/A	N/A	1,056	2.4
Other	1,948	4.9	N/A	N/A	2,264	5.2
State Total	40,080	100.0	N/A	N/A	43,579	100.0

NOTE: The counts in this table have not been subjected to the "hierarchy rule" (explained elsewhere).

